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FOREIGN SHIPS MAINTAIN SERVICE  
FROM HONG KONG TO COMMUNIST CHINA

PANAMANIAN MINISTER INVESTIGATES SHIPPING ACTIVITIES -- Hong Kong Hsing-tao  
 Jih-pao, 6 Sep 50

Hong Kong -- The Panamanian minister to the Nationalist government in Tai-  
 wan is now in Hong Kong to investigate a report of 13 ships flying Panamanian  
 flags which the Nationalists allege are engaged in transporting coal from Ch'in-  
 huang-tao to Japan. He will meet with officials of the Panamanian shipping com-  
 panies in Hong Kong on 7 September 1950.

According to the minister, the Nationalist government, on 16 August 1950,  
 requested the investigation of this matter by the Panamanian government official  
 to see what action could be taken to stop these ships from plying this route.  
 He also said that the Nationalist government has claimed that as these ships  
 have not canceled their registration with the Nationalist government, they are  
 legally under its control, and if they continue to visit Communist ports, their  
 licenses will be revoked. The minister indicated that if the Nationalist report  
 was confirmed upon his investigation, he would take appropriate action.

The 13 ships in question are: the T'ung-hsiang, Hai-ma, Yu-t'ung, Yu-chung,  
 Hsin Shanghai, Ko-lun, Ch'ang-hsing, Min-hsing, Yung-hsing, Ch'i-hsing, P'ing-  
 hsing, Lo-li-lo, and Na-t'ien.

RESTRICTIONS HURT HONG KONG MERCHANTS -- Hong Kong Hsing-tao Jih-pao, 4 Sep 50

Hong Kong -- Hong Kong's shipping merchants have been hard hit since the  
 exports of strategic goods to Hong Kong have been banned or restricted by vari-  
 ous nations. Official Hong Kong data showed that although the amount of exports  
 for July reached a new high for the past 6 months, imports declined to only  
 282,025 tons. An increased Nationalist blockade along the North and East China  
 coast and the existence of mines in the mouth of the Yangtze are also forcing many  
 ships to abandon service from Hong Kong to Tientsin, Tsingtao, Shanghai, Amoy, and  
 Swatow.

Inland waterway shipping between Canton and Hong Kong is also hit hard by the  
 business decline.

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**HONG KONG-CHINA SHIPPING INCREASES -- Hong Kong Hsing-tao Jih-pao, 5 Sep 50**

Hong Kong, 4 September -- Trade between Hong Kong and the mainland of China was reactivated recently, and nearly normal shipping service is now maintained from Hong Kong to Tientsin, Tsingtao, Shanghai, Swatow, and Amoy. Shipping service to Taiwan has also become heavier.

Two foreign ships arrived in Hong Kong yesterday; the Prosper, carrying 1,800 tons of cargo, from Shanghai, and the Po-yang, carrying 1,200 tons of cargo and 11 passengers, from Tientsin. A Hong Kong shipping merchant has stated that there are more than 30,000 tons of cargo waiting to be transported from Shanghai to Hong Kong and a large amount of metal products in Hong Kong destined for Shanghai.

The British ship Cheng-hsing departed for Canton recently, and it was followed by another foreign ship, the Hsin-sheng, which left Hong Kong for Canton yesterday. It was reported here that the Hsin-sheng was on a trial run to determine the possibility of beginning regular service to Canton.

Two ships, the Hai-men and the Kuei-yang, were reported to have arrived safely at Swatow, while a third ship, the Wan-fu, is leaving today for Swatow with fertilizer and other cargo and several hundred passengers.

The British ship Hua-lin arrived in Hong Kong yesterday from Han-chiang in Fukien Province with some cargo.

**THREE SOVIET WHALEBOATS ARRIVE IN HONG KONG -- Hong Kong Hsing-tao Jih-pao, 5 Sep 50**

Hong Kong -- Three Soviet whaleboats enroute to Singapore came into Hong Kong on 4 September 1950 for water and fuel. They are the mother ships Kapitan Tehirikov (1,218 tons), the Seival (115 tons), and the Bluval (91 tons).

**ANNOUNCES TIENTSIN SHIPPING SCHEDULE -- Tientsin Jih-pao, 12 Jul 50**

The following is a schedule of ships arriving at and departing from Tientsin:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Owner</u>	<u>Arrival</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>Departure</u>	<u>To</u>
Sheng-tso-shih	CMSNC	7 Jul	Yokohama	12 Jul	Ch'in-huang-tao
Tung-fang No 2	CMSNC	8 Jul	Dairen	12 Jul	Dairen
Ta-chung-shan	Ta-hua Co	5 Jul	Hong Kong	12 Jul	Hong Kong
Hua-k'ang	Hua-fu Co	10 Jul	Ying-k'ou	12 Jul	Ying-k'ou
Hai-sheng	CMSNC	6 Jul	Chin-chou West port		
Chung 119	CMSNC	12 Jul	Chin-chou West port		
Yung-hsiao	CMSNC	10 Jul	Dairen		
Ao-pi-t'e	CMSNC	13 Jul	Moji		
Mi-la-ma	CMSNC	25 Jun	Vladivostok		
Ai-tu-shih	CMSNC	6 Jul	Chin-chou West port		

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Sheng-li No 2	CMSNC	9 Jul	Lung-k'ou		
Hai-ch'ang	Shui-ch'an Shipping Co	9 Jul	Dairen		
Sinkiang	Butterfield and Swire	7 Jul	Yokohama		
Hu-pei	Butterfield	10 Jul	Hong Kong		
	and Swire				
Hu-nan	Butterfield	12 Jul	Hong Kong		
	and Swire				
Ch'ien-ho	Tung-hua Co	10 Jul	Yen-t'ai		
Te-shun	Fu-chung Co	27 Jun	Han-ku		

TIENTSIN-SHANGHAI SHIPPING RESUM -- Harbin Kung-pao, 17 Jun 50

Tientsin -- On 10 June 1950, officials of the North China Navigation Control Bureau, Tientsin Harbor Control Bureau, and Seamen's Union were on hand to witness the departure of the steamship Hsiang-shan, the first to resume service between Tientsin and Shanghai since the route was discontinued more than a year ago. The ship was scheduled to arrive in Shanghai on 16 June after making a brief stop at Tsingtao.

SWATOW REOPENED -- Hong Kong Hsing-tao Jih-pao, 3 Sep 50

Hong Kong -- A Hong Kong shipping merchant received word from Swatow on 2 September 1950 stating that ships may enter that port again. It was explained that the reason for the sudden ban on ships entering or leaving the port was due to the discovery of 20 mines floating in the vicinity of Swatow, believed to have been laid by Nationalist planes during the night of 30 August.

To safeguard ships, Swatow authorities immediately stopped all shipping traffic to and from the port, and began mine-sweeping operations. By 31 August, 19 of the 20 mines were cleared and the shipping restriction was lifted.

SS ANHWEI UNDERGOING REPAIRS IN HONG KONG -- Hong Kong Hsing-tao Jih-pao, 4 Sep 50

Hong Kong -- The steamship Anhwei, which struck a mine off Swatow on 16 June 1950, was refloated and towed into Hong Kong on 3 September to undergo repairs. It was reported by one of the 50 salvage crewmen that the refloating work was very difficult, and that during operations they were attacked twice by Nationalist planes. The Anhwei is a 3,500-ton ship, belonging to Butterfield and Swire in Hong Kong.

The steamship Cheng-hsing, the first British ship to go to Canton since the liberation of that city, departed from Hong Kong on 3 September on a trial run without passengers or freight. The results of this run will be carefully noted by shipping merchants in Hong Kong as they are seriously considering initiating this service as quickly as possible. Two Chinese freighters, the P'ing-an and Hua-lung, will be returning to Canton on 4 September with a considerable amount of cargo.

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The British ship Yu-yeh was supposed to have departed for Foochow on 3 September with an undisclosed amount of cargo, and the Norwegian ship Prosper returned to Hong Kong from Shanghai today with a large amount of cargo. The steamship Chun-san arrived at Hong Kong from Tientsin and Tsingtao with more than 1,000 tons of pharmaceuticals and miscellaneous cargo. She will be leaving for the north again around 12 September.

BRITISH SHIP MAKES CANTON-FORT BAYARD RUNS -- Hong Kong Hsin-sheng Wan-pao,  
5 Sep 50

Canton, 4 September -- The British ship Cheng-hsing will depart from Canton today for Fort Bayard on its first scheduled run. This ship arrived from Hong Kong on 3 September 1950, and was intended for the Hong Kong-Canton service, but since the Chu Chiang Navigation Bureau does not issue permits for foreign ships to run between Canton and Hong Kong, its route was changed. Both the Chu Chiang Navigation Bureau and the Canton Military Control Commission, on the other hand, are anxious to increase the number of foreign ships operating from Canton to Fort Bayard, Shanghai, Swatow, and Yu-lin.

CANTON COMPLETES REGISTRATION OF SMALL BOATS -- Hong Kong Hsing-ta Jih-pao,  
5 Sep 50

Canton, 4 September -- The Canton District Navigation Control Bureau completed registration of small boats in the Canton area during August. A total of 262 boats, consisting of 97 ferry boats, 97 barges, and 68 motorboats, was registered. The purpose of this action was to assign boats to various routes.

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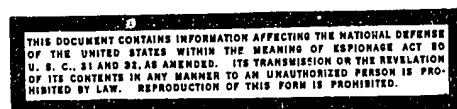
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SPUR PRODUCTION OF SYNTHETIC FIBERS

OUTPUT TO RISE DURING SIX-YEAR PLAN -- Lodz Dziennik Lodzki, 24 Jun 50

In the rayon (artificial silk) industry, various types of fibers are produced from cellulose. In the synthetic fiber industry, the most durable fibers such as steelon and nylon are produced from coal. In the main, the raw materials for both industries are available in Poland, but due to the depleted condition of Polish forests, cellulose is being imported.

During the Six-Year Plan, the rayon and synthetic fiber industry will increase production to 285 percent of 1949 output. The production of staple fiber, used for blending wools, will be 535.7 percent of 1949 production. These substantial achievements will be brought about through shortening the production cycle and more efficient use of machinery, as exemplified in the fiber plants in Chodakow and Tomaszow.

At the Widzew plant in Lodz, Janiszewski constructed a viscose pump which the Polish machine industry had not been able to produce. The Widzew machine shops now produce the pump serially, and it works better than the pumps imported from Switzerland.

At the Dolny Slask Plants, Polish engineers worked on fragmentary records found after the war and developed an efficient method of producing synthetic fibers from coal. Plans are now being drawn up for the activation of large factories which are to be built in Poland.

PLAN SYNTHETIC PRODUCTS TECHNICAL SCHOOL NEAR WARSAW -- Warsaw Trybuna Ludu, 9 Jun 50

Through the efforts of the Central Administration for the Rubber and Synthetic Products Industry, a 4-year coeducation Technical School for Synthetics will be opened this year in Piastow near Warsaw. The school, the first of its kind in Poland, will give thorough preparation in this new industrial field. Students will receive their practical training in fully-equipped workshops and in an experimental factory operated by the school.

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Recently, new synthetic fibers such as steelon, nylon, and perlon, which surpass silk in tensile strength, have been produced. The manufacture of synthetic products is a completely new field, a particular branch of industry in which Poland has most favorable prospects for expansion because of her large reserves of the basic raw material - coal.

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